

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Koji YOSHIDA

GAU: Unassigned

SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER: Unassigned

FILED: Herewith

FOR: POSITION DETECTING METHOD, POSITION DETECTING APPARATUS, EXPOSURE METHOD, EXPOSURE APPARATUS, MAKING METHOD THEREOF, AND DEVICE AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- ☒ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/719,178, filed December 15, 2000, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §120**.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119(e)**:
Application No. Date Filed

- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of **35 U.S.C. §119**, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

| <u>COUNTRY</u> | <u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u> | <u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u> |
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Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☐ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☐ were filed in prior application Serial No. filed
- ☒ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number PCT/JP99/03145
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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